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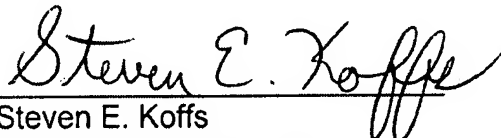
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1. A copy of notice; and
2. Replacement drawings for Figures 1-7.

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This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 60 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. If the informality pertains to the abstract, specification (including claims) or drawings, the informality must be corrected with an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 (or, if the application is a reissue application, 37 CFR 1.173). Such an amendment may be filed after payment of the issue fee if limited to correction of informalities noted herein. See Waiver of 37 CFR 1.312 for Documents Required by the Office of Patent Publication, 1280 Off. Gaz. Patent Office 918 (March 23, 2004). In addition, if the informality is not corrected until after payment of the issue fee, for purposes of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(iv), "all outstanding requirements" will be considered to have been satisfied when the informality has been corrected. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Drawings filed

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- ☒ The character of the lines, numbers and letters is poor. FIG(s) 1,2
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- ☐ Petition filed
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 - ☐ 3 sets of color drawings
 - ☐ Color drawing paragraph

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